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MEMORANDUM

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Nadine Pfeiffer, Rule-making Coordinator

RE: Proposed Amendment and Adoption of Nursing Home Rules

GS 150B-21.1, as amended by Session Law 2003-229, requires a rule-making body to notify certain individuals of its intent to adopt a permanent rule. It also requires notification of the date, time and location of the public hearing.

Today, the Division of Health Service Regulation submitted form OAH 0300 to the Codifier of Rules, Office of Administrative Hearings, indicating our intent to amend the following Nursing Home rule:

• 10A NCAC 13 D .2102, Issuance of License

and our intent to adopt the following Nursing Home rules:

- 10A NCAC 13D .3034, Definitions Applicable to Special Care Units
- 10A NCAC 13D .3035, Special Care Unit Disclosure
- 10A NCAC 13D .3036, Special Care Unit Building Requirements
- 10A NCAC 13D .3037, Special Care Unit Policies and Procedures
- 10A NCAC 13D .3038, Admission to the Special Care Unit
- 10A NCAC 13D .3039, Special Care Unit Resident Profile and Care Plan
- 10A NCAC 13D .3040, Special Care Unit Staffing
- 10A NCAC 13D .3041, Special Care Unit Staff Orientation and Training

The public hearing is scheduled for July 8, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 201, Council Building, 701 Barbour Drive, Raleigh, NC 27603. The building is located on the Dorothea Dix Hospital campus. The Division is accepting public comments on this rule from May 15, 2008 – July 14, 2008. Comments can also be made at the public hearing. The proposed effective date of these rules is October 1, 2008.





A copy of the proposed rules can be found at the Division's web site (www.ncdhhs.gov/dhsr/ruleactions.html). If you have questions related to the proposed rules please contact the Nursing Home Licensure & Certification Section at (919) 855-4520.

Should you have any questions regarding this memorandum please feel free to contact me at 855-3758.

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